MR. B. LINGE GOWDA (Hiriyur Taluk).—

Q.—10. Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) Whether some of the leading raiyats owning lands in Vani Vilas Sagara *atchkat* did not represent to the Revenue Commissioner while camping at Hiriyur in the beginning of June 1929 (by giving facts and figures) that the water in the lake will not suffice if continuous supply for paddy is given this year and to postpone giving of continuous supply for that reason until better times ?

(*b*) Whether the Revenue Commissioner did not agree with them and so recommended ?

(*c*) If the Revenue Commissioner has so recommended, what made the Chief Engineer to announce the continuous supply in spite of recommendation of the Revenue Commissioner to postpone it until better times ?

(*d*) The date on which the continuous supply was given ?

(*e*) The level of the lake and the quantity of water available for irrigation on the day of giving continuous supply ?

(*f*) The level of the lake and the quantity of water available for irrigation after a month of giving continuous supply ?

(*g*) The area under paddy, ragi, plantain, sugarcane, areca and cocoanut respectively at present ?

(*h*) Whether the Chief Engineer and the Revenue Commissioner did not guarantee water for 1,500 acres of sugar-cane, plantain, areca and cocoanut crops even if continuous supply is given ?

(*i*) Whether the Government will make up for the loss of the raiyats if water becomes insufficient for sugarcane, plantain and other garden crops and if they were to wither ?

(*j*) Whether the fact of many of the sluices in the upper portion of the channel not being provided with shutters was not brought to the notice of the Chief Engineer and the Revenue Commissioner ?

(*k*) Whether those sluices are provided with shutters?

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.—

A.—10. (*a*) and (*b*) At the commencement of the monsoon the raiyats having represented to the Revenue Commissioner that continuous supply of water should not be

made during the monsoon if there was not sufficient supply in the lake, the raiyats were informed that there was no intention to supply the water unless the quantity was adequate. Later on, on the representation of the raiyats, the Chief Engineer and the Revenue Commissioner both met the raiyats and after hearing both sides and examining the prospects of supply, decided to grant continuous supply during the monsoon also assuring intermittent supply during summer to garden lands. The raiyats have all agreed to the arrangement.

(*c*) This question does not arise.

(*d*) 6th July 1929.

(*e*) 79·70, 12,369 units.

(*f*) 77·95 ; 10,926 units on 6-8-1929.

(*g*) Sowing is not complete and exact figures could not be furnished.

(*h*) Yes. Intermittent supply will be given.

(*i*) There is no likelihood of this contingency arising.

(*j*) Yes. Steps are taken to provide them with shutters.

(*k*) Yes. Steps are taken to provide them with shutters.

Supplementary Questions and Answers.

Mr. B. Linge Gowda.—

Is the water in the Vani Vilas Tank sufficient for cultivation ?

Revenue Commissioner.—

Yes. That is what we hear.

Mr. B. Linge Gowda.—

Supposing the water in the tank is not sufficient to meet the requirements. Why should Government allow wet cultivation ?

Revenue Commissioner.—

Without water, there could have been no cultivation at all. Now there is some water and we give it for cultivation.

Mr. B. Linge Gowda.—

If the water is not sufficient, who will bear the losses of the raiyats ?

Revenue Commissioner.—

Government have no responsibility.

Mr. B. Linge Gowda.—

When there is no water in the tank, if the Public Works Department says that there is water, who will be responsible for the losses to the raiyats if any ?

Revenue Commissioner.—

Government can only act upon the information furnished by the Department.

Mr. B. Linge Gowda.—

When we say that there is no water in the tank, why should you allow wet cultivation and not supply adequate quantity of water ?

Revenue Commissioner.—

The Government have a responsible Department to attend to this work and they have to give some credit to what the Departmental officers say. They cannot act upon the advice of the people and lose their revenue.

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Q.—48. Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) What was the *Jamabandy* each year for the last ten years of the Nanjangud Town Municipality?